

REMARKS

Claim 21 has been added to further define the present invention. The prior art of record fails to disclose or suggest a coated paperboard laminate comprising a fibrous substrate directly adjacent to an inner polymer coating comprising the specified blend of two polymers having the recited melting points, which in turn is directly adjacent to a polymeric layer with the recited melting point.

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